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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

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Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of time for a period of ONE MONTH to respond to the Office Action mailed on 12/24/98.

A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.

The fee for a ONE MONTH extension of time is \$110.00. Please charge this fee and any additional extension fee required or credit any excess fee paid to Deposit Account Number 16-1885.

A duplicate copy of this petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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